

## **MILITARY PAY INCREASE**

**MESSAGE:** The basic military pay raise keeps us competitive with the private sector and is part of DoD's commitment to provide a secure standard of living for our most important investment, those who serve in uniform.

### **KEY POINTS:**

- Since 2001, this Administration has raised military pay by nearly 25%.
- The FY 2007 budget continues the Department's strong commitment by requesting a 2.2% increase in military pay for all Service members.
- This pay increase is consistent with the law, which calls for military pay raises equal to the Employment Cost Index (ECI) (The ECI is 2.2 for FY 2007).
- In addition to an overall increase of 2.2%, the FY 2007 budget proposes that: In April 2007 we close current gaps in pay for warrant officers and higher ranking enlisted personnel against the competition we face from the private sector; and we extend the pay table to encourage longer service.